

Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Michele Marie Leonhart, of California, to be Administrator of Drug Enforcement. **Page S448**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:20 p.m., until 12 p.m. on Thursday, February 4, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S448.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011, the Future Years Defense Program, the 2011 Quadrennial Defense Review, and the 2011 Missile Defense Review, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Gates, Secretary, Admiral Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Robert F. Hale, Under Secretary (Comptroller), Chief Financial Officer, all of the Department of Defense.

DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL POLICY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Gates, Secretary, and Admiral Michael G. Mullen, USN, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Douglas B. Wilson, of Arizona, to be Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, Malcolm Ross O'Neill, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology, Mary Sally Matiella, of Arizona, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management and Comptroller, Paul Luis Oostburg Sanz, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy, and Jackalyne Pfannenstiel, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy for

Installations and Environment, all of the Department of Defense, and 1,802 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

HIGH-RISK INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine prohibiting certain high-risk investment activities by banks and bank holding companies, after receiving testimony from Paul A. Volcker, Chairman, President's Economic Recovery Advisory Board; and Neal S. Wolin, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011, after receiving testimony from Peter R. Orszag, Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Larry Persily, of Alaska, to be Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects, who was introduced by Senator Begich, and Patricia A. Hoffman, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUDGET

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011, after receiving testimony from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Donald E. Booth, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Bisa Williams, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Niger, and Beatrice Wilkinson Welters, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, who was introduced by Senator Warner and Representative Towns, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Rosemary Anne DiCarlo, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the

United Nations, and to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and the Deputy Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, Brooke D. Anderson, of California, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, and to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, Allan J. Katz, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Portuguese Republic, who was introduced by Senators Nelson (FL) and LeMieux, Ian C. Kelly, of Maryland, to be U.S. Representative to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, with the rank of Ambassador, who was introduced by Senator Cardin, and Judith Ann Stewart Stock, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs, who was introduced by Senator Bayh, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Scott H. DeLisi, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines, and David Adelman, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, who was introduced by Senator Isakson, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Craig Becker, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

CORPORATE SPENDING IN ELECTIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Supreme Court's decision to allow unlimited corporate spending in elections, after receiving testimony from Senators Feingold and Kerry; Steve Bullock, Montana Attorney General, Helena; Allison R. Hayward, George Mason University School of Law, Arlington, Virginia; Edward B. Foley, The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Columbus; Stephen M. Hoerstring, Center for Competitive Politics, Alexandria, Virginia; Fred Wertheimer, Democracy 21, Washington, D.C.; and Heather K. Gerken, Yale Law School, New Haven, Connecticut.

CURRENT AND PROJECTED THREATS

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing to examine current and projected threats to the United States, after receiving testimony from Dennis C. Blair, Director of National Intelligence; Leon Panetta, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Robert S. Mueller III, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Lieutenant General Ronald L. Burgess, Jr., Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense; and John Dinger, Acting Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of Intelligence Research.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 4553–4576; and 13 resolutions, H.J. Res. 74 and H. Res. 1050–1061, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1051, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4061) to advance cybersecurity research,

development, and technical standards (H. Rept. 111–410).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Moore (WI) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:38 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures: